

# Children's Liturgy of the Word

**28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**12 October 2025 - Year C**

***"It seems that no one has returned to  
give thanks to God except this foreigner."***

## Something to Think About

Think of all the people who have done something for you today, or helped you in some way. Did you remember to say 'thank you' to each of those people?

## The Story

Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem when he saw ten men with a bad skin disease. At that time, people thought that sickness was the result of punishment for some kind of sin. These men had to live away from their families and villages. Jesus healed the ten men, but only one came back to say thank you. This story shows us how important it is to be thankful.

## The Scriptures

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (17:11-19)*

On his way to Jerusalem, Jesus went along the border between Samaria and Galilee.  
As he was going into a village, ten men with leprosy came toward him.  
They stood at a distance and shouted,  
"Jesus, Master, have pity on us!"

Jesus looked at them and said,  
"Go show yourselves to the priests."

On their way they were healed.  
When one of them discovered that he was healed, he came back, shouting praises to God.  
He bowed down at the feet of Jesus and thanked him.  
The man was from the country of Samaria.

Jesus asked, "Weren't ten men healed?  
Where are the other nine?  
Why was this foreigner the only one who came back to thank God?"

Then Jesus told the man, "You may get up and go.  
Your faith has made you well."

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## Group Discussion

God gives us so many gifts. How often do we stop and say 'thank you' to God? How often do we use our gifts for the happiness of others? Invite the children to name some of their gifts. Then give time for them to say a silent prayer of thanks to God.

## Praying For Others

*Leader:* Let us pray now for the leaders of our Church, our world, for those in our community and for our own needs.

*Reader 1:* We pray that our leaders will bring peace and harmony to our world. Lord hear us.

**All: Lord hear our prayer.**

*Reader 2:* We pray for those who are sick. Lord hear us.

**All: Lord hear our prayer.**

*Reader 3:* We pray for those who feel excluded or unwelcome. Lord hear us.

**All: Lord hear our prayer.**

*Reader 4:* We pray for all those who love and care for us. Lord hear us.

**All: Lord hear our prayer.**

*Reader 5:* We pray that we may be thankful for all our gifts. Lord hear us.

**All: Lord hear our prayer.**

*Reader 6:* We pray for our own needs. *(Invite the children to pray for their own special intentions).* Lord hear us.

**All: Lord hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* Loving God, listen to the prayers we make in the name of Jesus.

**All: Amen.**

## Prayer



Dear God,  
Help us to be grateful for all the  
wonderful gifts you have given us,  
and to say 'thank you' to the  
people who look after us.  
Amen.

## Video (optional)

Click to watch the video: [The Thankful Leper](#)



## Group Activity (optional)

### THANK YOU

*You will need: paint and paintbrush, A4 blank paper, template either in colour or black & white for each child, glue.*

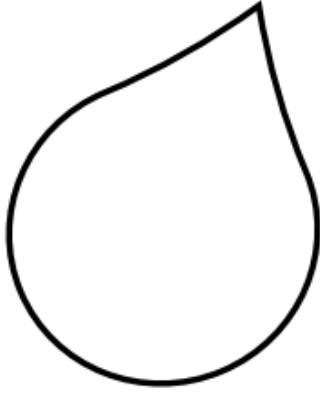
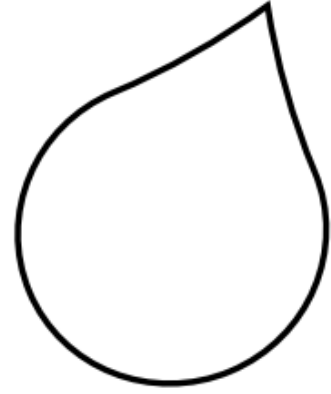
1. Paint the child's hand with chosen paint colour.
2. Stamp the handprint on the upper part of the A4 paper.
3. Cut out the stem, leaves and flower pot from the template.
4. Glue these onto the paper below the handprint.
5. Let it dry ... and then give it to someone special.



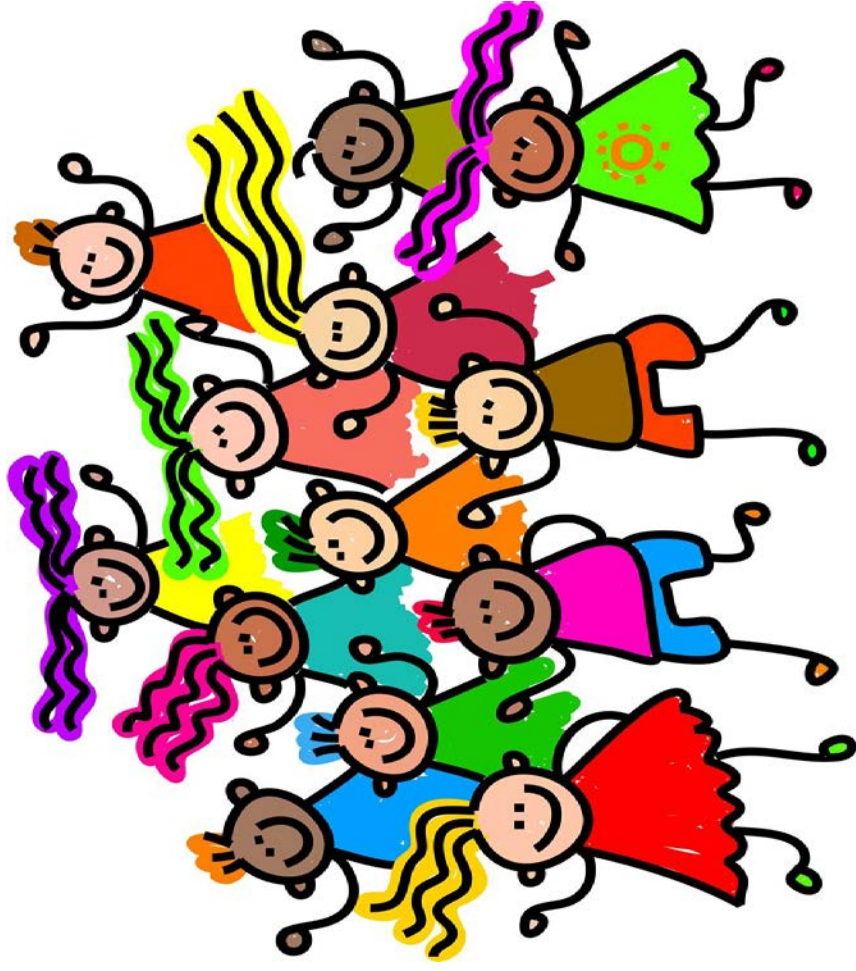
**Thank you  
for  
helping  
me!**



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**MAKE UP A SONG  
OR A DANCE TO SAY  
THANK YOU TO GOD**



**SAY 'THANK YOU' TO GOD**